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SUBJ: INTERNATIONAL GROUP CALLS FOR FRANCE FIELD TRANSFER

1. RADIO LIBERTAD REPORTED OCTOBER 7 THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE OF THE AMERICAS RECENTLY MEETING IN KINGSTON, JAMAICA APPROVED A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE TRANSFER TO THE GOP OF THE LAND AND INSTALLATIONS PRESENTLY COMPRISING FRANCE FIELDS (IN THE CANAL ZONE). MOREOVER, THE RESOLUTION REPORTEDLY URGES THIS ACTION AS BEING "VITALLY IMPORTANT TO THE EXPANSION OF THE COLON FREE ZONE AND AS AN ACT OF JUSTICE AND UPRIGHTNESS WHICH WILL ASSIST IN THE CONSOLIDATION OF PAN-AMERICAN UNITY."

2. COMMENTS: GOP APPEARS TO HAVE LOST HOPE FOR EARLY USE OF FRANCE FIELDS FOR FREE ZONE EXPANSION. THE FREE ZONE MANAGEMENT IS PRESENTLY CONSIDERING EXPANSION INTO TWO OTHER AREAS, FOR DE LESSEPS AND ONE ADJACENT TO PUEBLO NUEVO. ACCORDING TO A SEPTEMBER 30 PRESS REPORT FRANCE FIELD IS A POSSIBILITY FOR THE MORE DISTANT FUTURE.
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